

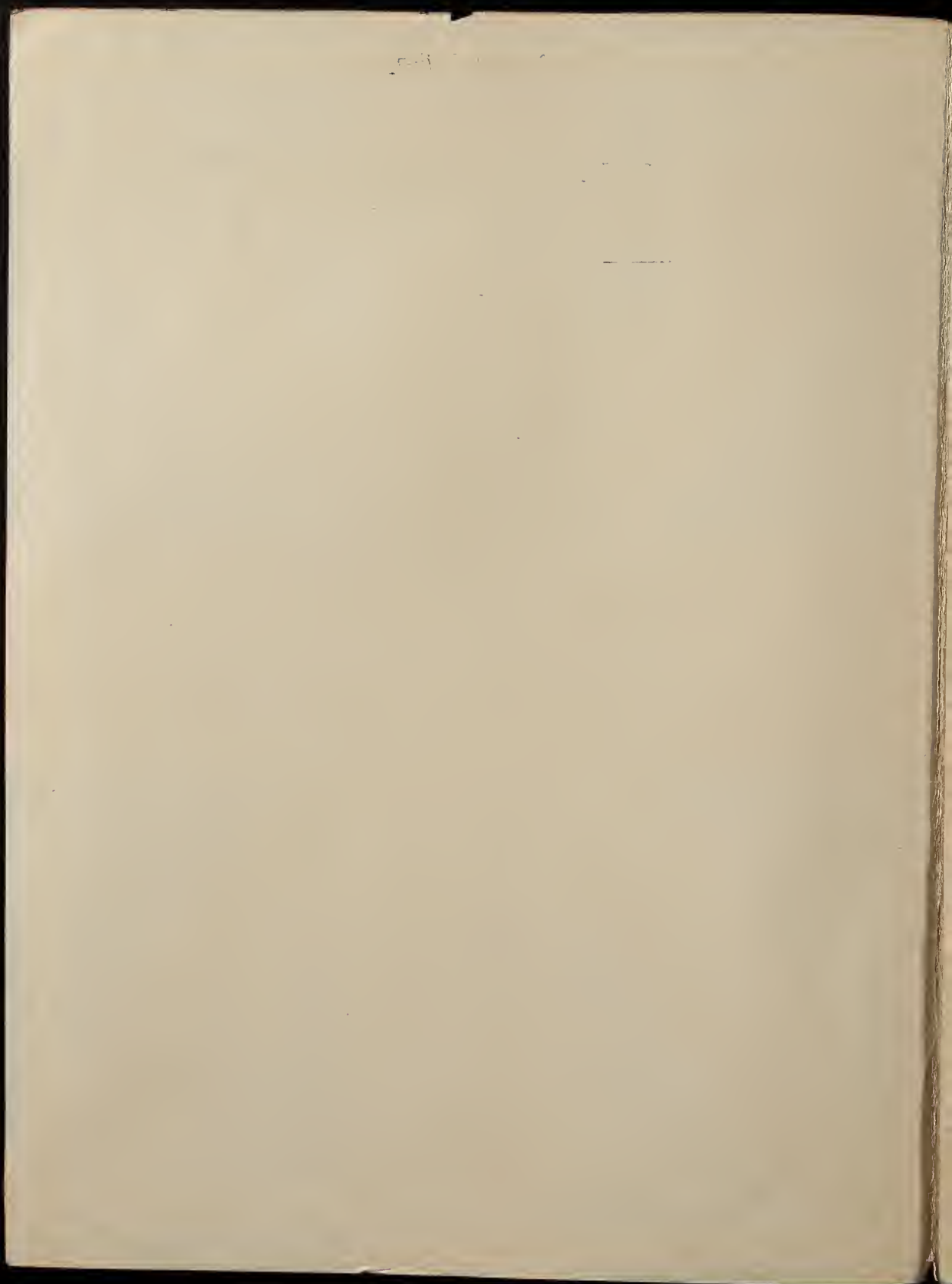
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Marziale

f

The piano introduction is in 2/4 time, marked 'Marziale' and 'f' (forte). It consists of five measures. The right hand plays a series of eighth notes and chords, while the left hand plays a steady bass line of eighth notes.

VOICE

md

Though Eng-land's foes may as - sail her, Though the war clouds hang a -
When Eng-land said men were want-ed Far a - cross the sea to

The vocal melody is in 2/4 time, marked 'md' (moderato). The piano accompaniment is in 2/4 time, marked 'md'. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

round,..... Still the bright sun smiles O'er Brit-ain's Isles, For friends in need She's
go,..... From the east and west, They came, our best, To lay the ty - rant

The vocal melody continues in 2/4 time. The piano accompaniment is in 2/4 time. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

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found. From Ind - ia's strand To Baf - fin's land They have an-swered the Em-pire-'s
low. So here's good luck To Jack Can-uck! For he's rea - dy to fight or to

call. For we can't turn our back On the old Un-ion Jack, The best old flag of
fall. And he'll stick to the last, For he's nailed to his mast The best old flag of

Tempo di Marcia

CHORUS

all. Then give three cheers, Three Brit-ish cheers For the
all.

old Red, White and Blue. Let the world all know That

Brit-ain's foe Is Can - a - da's foe too. A -

The first system of music consists of a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves. The vocal line begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are 'Brit-ain's foe Is Can - a - da's foe too. A -'. The piano accompaniment features a steady eighth-note bass line and chords in the right hand.

cross the sea In Ger - man-y, Our boys, they will prove their

The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are 'cross the sea In Ger - man-y, Our boys, they will prove their'. The piano accompaniment maintains the same rhythmic pattern as the first system.

worth For the Ma - ple Leaf Our em - blem dear And the

The third system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are 'worth For the Ma - ple Leaf Our em - blem dear And the'. The piano accompaniment continues with the same rhythmic pattern.

best old flag on earth. Then earth.

The fourth system concludes the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The lyrics are 'best old flag on earth. Then earth.'. The system includes first and second endings, indicated by 'I' and 'II' above the vocal staff. The piano accompaniment ends with a final chord.

